

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF CRUDE OIL BASED INDUSTRIES IN MAHARASHTRA

ANANT GANGARAM GEETE

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of Foreign Direct Investment proposals for setting up of crude oil and natural gas based industries in Maharashtra under New Exploration and Licence Policy have been received;
- (b) if so, the details thereof separately during 1998-99 and 1999-2000;
- (c) whether some of the proposals have been operationalised so far; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

- (a) & (b): In the first offer of blocks for bidding under the NELP in 1999, no block from the State of Maharashtra was offered for exploration of oil and gas.
- (c) & (d): Do not arise.